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Re: People v. Manuel Flores, Jr.

Santa Barbara District Attorney Joyce Dudley announces the filing of charges in the tragic death of Sergio Romero. Mr. Romero was killed on October 7, 2011, while he was crossing Milpas Street when he was struck by a truck driven by Manuel Flores, Jr. After a thorough investigation by the Santa Barbara Police Department and a complete review by the District Attorney's Office, Mr. Flores is being charged with violating one count of Penal Code section 192(c)(2), Vehicular Manslaughter, a misdemeanor, and two infractions - speeding and violating a pedestrian's right of way. Arraignment in the criminal case will be scheduled for January 5, 2012.

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